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SUBJECT: MAURITANIAN DELEGATION IN LIBREVILLE

1. MAURITANIAN DELEGATION HEADED BY NATIONAL MILITARY COMMITTEE MEMBER CAPTAIN MOHAMED OUL HAMED DEH, ARRIVED IN LIBREVILLE AUGUST 23. ACCORDING TO INTERVIEW WITH OUL HAMED DEH, CARRIED AUGUST 25 PRESS, DELEGATION IS IN LIBREVILLE TO ASK FOR DIPLOMATIC AID IN DEALING WITH THE WESTERN SAHARA PROBLEM AND TO GIVE A FULL EXPLANATION TO PRESIDENT BONGO OF WHAT HAPPENED IN JULY 10 COUP D'ETAT. MAURITANIANS BROUGHT A MESSAGE TO BONGO FROM COLONEL OULD SALEK BUT TEXT NOT PRINTED.

2. OUL HAMED DEH STATED MILITARY TOOK OVER BECAUSE EXTERNALLY MAURITANIA HAD LOST IT INTERNATIONAL CREDIBILITY AND INTERNALLY IT HAD SUFFERED CONSEQUENCES FROM WAR. MAURITANIA, HE SAID, IS A POOR COUNTRY WHICH CANNOT CONTINUE TO WAGE WAR WHICH IS THE PRINCIPAL REASON THE MILITARY SEIZED POWER. THE MILITARY COUNCIL HAS NOT TOTALLY WITHDRAWN TROOPS IN THE NORTH BUT THOSE STATIONED NEAR KJUST HAVE LEFT SINCE THE CLOSING OF
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3. OUL HAMED DEH AFFIRMED THAT MOROCCO AND MAURITANIA MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS AS BROTHER-COUNTRIES, RESOLVED TO EXIST TOGETHER, BUT DELINED TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON WESTERN SAHARA OR RECENT MAURITAINIAN/ MOROCCAN CONSULTATION. TIENKEN

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